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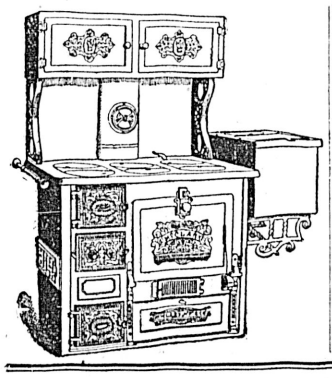

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Victoria City Pound.

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 18th day of March, at the City Pound, situated on Chambers street, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, I shall sell by public auction the following animals, viz: 1 cow, color light red; 1 red heifer, tip of tail white; 1 heifer, red and white, unless the said animals are redeemed and pound charges thereon paid on or before the hour of sale.

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Public Meeting.

Having been requested by the Local Council of Women, through the President, to call a public meeting for the purpose of considering the best means of assisting and furthering the scheme of commemorating the celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, to be called the Victoria Order of Home Helpers, a public meeting will therefore be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday the 18th inst., at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

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Victoria, 11th March, 1897. mr12

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COERCION OF GREECE.

Strong Protest Against the Proposals of the Powers—Situation in the Balkans.

Greek War Minister Issues Orders to Avoid Anything That Would Provoke Collision.

LONDON, March 13.—A great meeting was held this afternoon at St. James' hall to protest against the proposal of the powers to apply coercion to Greece. Resolutions denouncing this policy were adopted with enthusiasm, after strong speeches by Herbert Gladstone, John Dillon, Henry Labouchere and others. Mr. Gladstone wired from Cannes to the meeting: "God help your efforts."

A special to the London Times from Athens says the cabinet was in session nearly all of yesterday (Friday). The report that the British consul at Canea, Mr. Alfred Billiotti, had been recalled is not confirmed.

The Athens correspondent of the Times says that Col. Metaxas, the Greek war minister who, succeeded Col. Sholentze last week, is the son of a distinguished soldier, who himself was an intimate friend of Lord Byron. Col. Metaxas is an excellent officer and has already accomplished a great deal though his tenure of the position has been brief. In the course of an interview Col. Metaxas told the Times correspondent that he had accepted the war portfolio with great reluctance, but was determined to devote himself to his duties with the utmost vigor and without regard to purely political considerations. Preparations are now in a forward stage. All the reservists who are going to the front whether provided with uniforms or not will be better clad in any event than the Turkish soldiers.

Col. Metaxas has given the strictest orders to the army to avoid offering provocation, but it is feared a collision may occur within a few days owing to the action of the volunteers and peasants who have been armed by the Ethnic Hetirra secret society. Should the society give the signal war would be unavoidable.

Col. Metaxas told the Times correspondent that he hoped the powers would urge Turkey to desist from massing troops on the frontier. The excitement of the Greek troops there is so intense that the slightest incident of a hostile character might provoke a collision. "The readiness with which the reservists have responded to the call of the government," said Col. Metaxas, "is remarkable. There have been scarcely any defaulters."

The correspondents of the Times at Athens and Canea both complain of the delay in announcing officially to the Cretans the decision of the powers to give them autonomy. Neither the consuls nor admirals have been authorized to make the announcement. The English and Russian consuls at Canea agree that such a proclamation would do much to reassure the islanders who, as already seen at Candiamo and Akrotiri, would be inclined to acquiesce, on learning that autonomy would be granted.

In the lower house of the Hungarian Diet, Premier Baron Banffy said that apart from the conflicts in Crete there was no cause for alarm, as, in the Balkans, Turkey to-day was strong enough to nip in the bud any revolutionary movements. He added that he had absolutely no knowledge of the alliance of the Balkan states, and expressed the belief that the powers were determined to render the chance of a Greco-Turkish war impossible.

Eight hundred and fifty reservists have started from the island of Corfu for the Turkish frontier. All who have purchased exemption in past years are now required to serve.

In spite of the opposition of the prefect of the Seine, the municipal council of Paris has adopted a Socialist motion to send the Greek government a message of encouragement.

A report is published that King George, while in conversation with a Danish colonel, said he had abandoned all hope of help from his relatives, whose advice was not worth attention, and that he had lost confidence in the Prince of Wales, since his earnest request to the prince to obtain the recall of British Consul Billiotti had been of no avail.

The correspondent of the Associated Press learns from a reliable source that the powers are nearly agreed to present a fresh note to Greece, notifying her of their intention to carry out the coercive measures if she continues obdurate, and to enforce a blockade. It is understood that France is the only power that is reluctant to participate in the blockade, which will be begun without her if she refuses her consent.

A despatch to the Times from Canea says that during the embarkation of the refugees at Selino a general engagement occurred. The ships fired their three-pounders. Commander Hewitt relieved the marines at the outposts, repelling the insurgents by volleys in extended order. H. M. S. Camperdown has been sent to assist the Italians at Hierapetra.

The regiment commanded by the Greek Crown Prince, says the Times correspondent at Athens, will be raised from 1,500 to 3,000. It is stated that he will start for Larissa, beginning next week, with a battalion consisting of his own regiment, seventy regiments of infantry and an artillery battery. Large consignments of clothing are being shipped daily from the Piraeus to Larissa. The Italian volunteers at Athens, as a protest against the action of the Italian warships, have torn off the Italian national colors and wear the Greek colors only.

ATHENS, March 12.—The Cretan question is passing through a period of intrigue, or, in other words, a lull has followed the reply of Greece to the powers, and everybody is wondering where and when the storm will break out afresh. There seem to be but three ways out of the present difficulty. The most popular one is that the powers must accept the offer of Greece to withdraw her fleet from Cretan waters and allow her army of occupation to remain, ostensibly under the control of foreign officers outranking Col. Vassos, to be used for the pacification of the island. When that is accomplished a plebiscite should decide whether or not the Cretan prefer annexation to autonomy. The second solution is the coercion—real or half-hearted—of Greece or blockade, which may be effective. In the third place, Greece's final reply will probably be the lighting of the fires of war in Macedonia and the beginning of a conflagration which might spread all over Europe.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, March 12.—A sensation has been caused here by a prayer used by the Bulgarian metropolitan in the presence of the King of Servia and Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria during the former's visit to this city. The metropolitan, in offering prayers for the Czar, spoke of him as "the protector of Bulgaria and Servia, and the Slavonic nations," thus acknowledging at a high solemnity the Czar's protectorship over those people. The incident is regarded as highly significant in view of the Eastern crisis.

The National Zeitung semi-officially announced to-day that Germany would not take part in any negotiations suggesting another note to Greece, adding that Germany insists upon upholding the original ultimatum.

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 12.—The report that Turkey is negotiating for American ironclads is not credited here, since the government owns all such vessels in the United States and could not dispose of them without an act of congress.

THE DINGLEY TARIFF

To Be Introduced to Congress on Monday—Emphatically a Protective Measure.

The Framer's Definition of What Is Meant by Reciprocity—What He Proposes.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The hopes of the new Canadian administration for closer reciprocal relations with the United States will be defeated by the Dingley bill. The Liberal party under Mr. Laurier's leadership has tried to make closer commercial affiliations with the United States. One of its foremost planks of policy and one of the first acts of its administration was to send Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. L. H. Davies to Washington as commissioners to pave the way for reciprocity. Their mission has proved fruitless, because they desired to open the markets of this country to the farm products of Canada. In their interviews with Chairman Dingley and and other members of the committee they were told in diplomatic terms, but emphatically, that the design of the new tariff bill would be to preserve the markets of the United States to its farmers by adequate protective duties on all farm products.

Chairman Dingley said to-day that the bill was ready to be introduced in the House on Monday. The administrative features have not been drafted yet, nor has the reciprocity scheme, although the features of it are decided upon. These may be presented as committee amendments after the bill gets before the House. The reciprocity principle which will be embodied in the bill will be that of lower duties on certain classes of goods in return for concessions to certain lines of American goods. The principal lines of goods on which duties may be lowered by reciprocity treaties will be sugar, champagne, silks, gloves, mineral waters, chewing gum and crude tartar, which is one of the chief constituents of baking powder. The president will be empowered by the bill to enter into treaties by which the duties will be materially lowered on the importations of these goods from countries which make concessions to American cattle and other products. There will be no reciprocity which involves placing any important classes of imports on the free lists, nor any authority given the executive to raise duties against imports from countries which refuse to enter into reciprocity.

GERMANY'S HEROES.

Proposal to Erect a Memorial Hall in Honor of Those Who Fell During the War.

BERLIN, March 12.—The reichstag today referred to the budget committee the bill to erect a memorial hall in honor of the German soldiers who fell during the war of 1870-71. Only the socialists opposed the measure, and they did so on the ground that they did not approve this manner of rendering honor. The Imperial chancellor, Prince Hohenlohe, said it was the duty and an honor upon the part of the Empire, which at the present moment was celebrating the victorious Emperor, also to think of the simple soldiers who fearlessly and faithfully protected the burghers and peasants against the enemy. The names of all those heroes, he added, must find a place of honor in the capital of the Empire.

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QUEEN'S CELEBRATION.

The Diamond Jubilee Falls on June 22—Sale of Kingston Binder Twine.

Work for Electors of Wright—Deep Water Ways Report—Famine Fund.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, March 12.—The government has sold the complete output of binder twine from the Kingston penitentiary to next August to Mr. Hobbs, M.L.A., of London. The price is not given.

The government has been advised that Her Majesty's government has selected Tuesday, June 22, as the day on which to hold the official celebration of the Queen's diamond jubilee, and the ministers are consequently considering whether or not it is advisable to set aside that day for the official celebration in the Dominion, or hold it on Monday, the 21st.

The Canadian deep-waterways commissioners meet here to-morrow to prepare a report to parliament.

Sixty Hull men were given work yesterday, and seventy more to-day, at the Western block ruins. The fire has consequently been a blessing to the government in view of the Wright election.

David Erskine, of the Scottish Archers, has been appointed Governor-General's secretary in place of Captain Sinclair, M.P., resigned. Mr. Erskine came out with Lord Aberdeen, as A.D.C., and returned to Scotland last year, owing to the illness of his father.

The national Indian famine fund has now reached $119,000.

DOINGS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

Presbyterian Minister Dead.

TORONTO, March 12.—Rev. John Mutch, pastor of Chalmers Presbyterian church, died this morning at one o'clock of appendicitis.

Railway Collision at Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, March 12.—An East bound C.P.R. freight and the Great Northern out-going express collided to-night just west of Winnipeg. Engineer Stuart and a German passenger were injured, but not fatally. Both engines were ditched.

Newfoundland Shipping Damaged.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 12.—The whole fleet of local shipping arriving today was more or less damaged by the storm, being detained in the ice as long as twelve days in some cases, four vessels losing all their sails.

Murderer Hanged.

DORCHESTER, March 12.—John E. Sullivan, the murderer of Mrs. Dutcher and her young son Harry, was hanged this morning.

Drowned Herself.

BRAMPTON, March 12.—Mrs. John Pulfer, wife of a highly respected farmer, who has been mentally ill for a year, escaped the vigilance of her family and drowned herself in the creek.

County Judge Boyd Dead.

TORONTO, March 12.—Mr. Boyd, formerly county judge, died here today.

Fell From a Third Story.

MONTREAL, March 12.—Alfred Pichette, a contractor, fell from the third story balcony of his house while engaged in adjusting a clothes line, and was killed.

Twelve Years Penitentiary.

PEMBROKE, March 12.—William Milligan was sentenced to twelve years in the Kingston penitentiary at the assizes here yesterday for criminal assault.

Suicide With a Jack Knife.

OWEN SOUND, March 12.—Thomas McAllister, a Sydenham township farmer, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a jack knife.

SCHOOLS SETTLEMENT.

Division in Manitoba Legislature Monday—Crow's Nest Railway—The Indian Murderer.

WINNIPEG, March 12.—(Special)—The second reading of the schools settlement bill has been on since yesterday afternoon in the legislature and a division is expected for Monday.

A verdict of not guilty was rendered by the jury in the case of Edward Jeffrey, charged with perjury in connection with the Macdonald election trials. All the trials are now over except that of Clarke, which takes place on Wednesday.

Charcoal, the Indian who murdered Sergeant Wilde and was sentenced to death, will be hanged at MacLeod on Tuesday. A correspondent writing from MacLeod states that the condemned Indian is in good spirits and that his health is better than it has been for some time. He does not appear to realize that he is to die in a few days. He is attended daily by Father Legal.

A Lethbridge dispatch reads: "Dan Mann, railroad contractor, arrived here this morning in view of the contemplated building of the Crow's Nest road. A staff of Canadian Pacific railway engineers, under direction of M. H. McLeod, has been engaged during the past week in making a final selection of various projected surveys.

All the trains were again delayed today by the cold weather and snow.

The Canadian Pacific railway employes here have given $1,500 to the Indian famine fund.

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SASKATCHEWAN GOLD.

The Poor Man's Diggings of the Saskatchewan May Become Most Profitable.

Millions in the Black Sand of the Northwest—Interesting Figures.

(From the Edmonton Bulletin.)

Gold has been mined, or perhaps more accurately washed, from the bars of the Saskatchewan for many years. The metal is found in the form of minute scales, so small as to be only noticeable by the naked eye from their sparkle. This dust is always found in conjunction with black sand—evidently magnetic iron—amongst the ordinary sand, gravel and boulders of the river bars, which are found on alternate sides of the river throughout its length for 100 miles above and below Edmonton. These bars have been worked by the miners by the use of a "grizzlev," as distinct from the "rocker," which is used where the gold is found amongst clay or mud. The grizzley is a conical screen, upon which the gravel is sluiced by the action of water. The coarse stones and gravel fall from the screen at each side and the small stones, gravel, common sand and black sand, with gold, fall through the bars into a sluice box, in the bottom of which lies a blanket by which the gold is caught as the water rushes the gravel and sand over it.

The process is decidedly primitive, the idea being to have an apparatus through which the the largest possible amount of gravel can be put in the smallest possible space of time, which the grizzley is. When the blanket has been used for some time, it is taken out and the black sand and gold washed out of it into a tub. It is then used again. When a large quantity of black sand and gold has been gathered in the tub the gold is "panned out" from the black sand, and amalgamated with quick silver to get it completely clear of black sand. The quicksilver is then roasted out and the gold remaine a firm but porus mass. The amount of gravel which two men can handle with a grizzley in a day varies according to circumstances, as also does the amount of gold they get, but it is estimated that six tons of gravel have frequently to be handled in order to yield $1.50 in gold, which is now about an average day's pay. When the river was struck first the bars paid up to $16.00 a day, but they have been worked over and over again, each time the pay getting smaller, but still the gold was there and seemed to be renewed in quantity if left untouched long enough. This is one of the mysteries of the Saskatchewan and has caused much speculation as to where the gold thus renewed comes from. Platinum is also found with the gold in the same condition as the gold, but no attention has been paid to it hitherto by the miners.

In view of the small returns secured by the miners, it may be wondered why there should be such a rush for mining claims as there has been during the past few days. It would not appear likely that a claim from which a man could only extract $1.50 as the price of handling six tons of gravel was a very desirable property. On several occasions in the past the effort has been made to increase the profits of mining by applying power to increase the amount of gravel handled per man each day. This was attempted by means of steam dredges, working on various principles, and during the past two seasons some of these dredges were moderately successful, when working in good locations. However, it appeared that the larger the amount of gravel handled the smaller the amount or gold per ton was saved. This and the fact already mentioned of the renewal of the gold in the bars, set a number of parties thinking, with the result that they came to the conclusion that as the gold was only found in the form of fine dust, and as the crude appliances used could only save the largest of that dust, it was a reasonable supposition that there was a large amount of the dust so very fine that it could not be saved by those appliances. This was proven by an assay secured of the black sand tailings from a grizzley, in which an assayer found gold at the rate of $54 to the ton.

But this was not all. They examined the black sand, which had always been the effort of the miner to get rid of, and came to the conclusion that the black sand, instead of being an enemy of the gold, so to speak, actually contained the gold in such form that it was from time to time set free by natural causes, and that this accounted for the renewal of the gold dust deposited on the bar. In support of this idea an assay procured by Isaac Cowie, president of the board of trade, showed $268 to the ton of gold and platinum in the black sand, out of which all the free gold had been panned by the ordinary process. Having faith in the assays, the problem is changed from the possibility of putting through the largest possible quantity of the richest pay dirt in the shortest time to the possibility of saving all the gold that is in the dirt put through. The men, who have secured machinery which they believe is adapted to work on the new principle, naturally desire to secure permanent locations, and as many of them as possible, just as the hand and ordinary dredge miners could not work profitably if tied down to any single location owing to their being only able to work where the gold dust was large enough to catch on the blanket, and being compelled to shift about according to the stages of the water.

If the difference between the amount of gold saved by present processes and that actually contained in connection with the black sand is as given by the assays, and can be saved profitably by the use of new machinery and new processes, the Saskatchewan will take a front rank in the gold and platinum producing localities of the world, and not only the Saskatchewan, but the McLeod and Athabasca, on which the visible gold is even more difficult to save than on the Saskatchewan, and on the great Peace and Liard rivers where it is not quite so difficult. It is estimated that ordinary pay dirt contains gold amounting by assay to $2.50 per ton. Of this the miner only secures about 50c. a ton, or one-fifth of the gold actually in it. The bars which appear in the river underlie the flats, which are the width of the valley—about a mile—and are known to be as rich in the part which is under the flat as they originally were in the part which is in the river. But they were not rich enough to warrant the stripping of the overlying earth of the flats in order to work the pay dirt by the old process. If, however, the pay dirt is really as rich as the assays make it, and the gold can be worked out by a cheap process, every foot of the bottom of the river valley for two hundred miles in length is worth big money, and not only the Saskatchewan, but the other rivers mentioned. At the estimated value of $2.50 per ton of gravel in this great area, it is putting it mildly to say: "There's millions in it."

Assays have been secured by a number of different parties which prove the large amount of gold existing in comparison with the amount taken out of the gravel, and a number of attempts will be made this season to solve the problem of its profitable extraction. It would seem that this would be an excellent field for the labors of a government mineralogist, if there is such an official and he can be depended upon. It is as yet a question if the water which the miner has depended upon to secure the gold for him has not been his greatest enemy, taking from him more than it gave him, as it has already been proven that the black sand which he was so anxious to get rid of is the mother of the gold which he was so anxious to secure. The value of the Rossland gold mines, and of those at Johannesburg as well, has been given them by the advance of science, which made profitably possible the extraction of gold that otherwise could not have been extracted at all or would have cost more than it was worth. It is quite possible that the like or other discoveries of science may change the poor man's diggings of the Saskatchewan, and other northern rivers, into one of the most profitable gold fields in the world. There are sufficient grounds to go upon to claim the attention of scientists and capitalists combined, as well that of the practical men who are now experimenting to the limit of their means; and to expect that instead of the Saskatchewan yielding $50,000 in a season as at present, its annual output might be increased to $5,000,000.

THE FARMER AND THE FISH.

Is the Right of Fishing One of the Profits of the Land—An Interesting Question.

The information against Fred. Steinberger, of Lake district, charging him with having brook trout in his possession having been dismissed last week on technical grounds, a fresh charge came on for trial yesterday afternoon before Captain Walbran, stipendiary magistrate and fishery officer. Mr. S. D. Schultz, who appeared for the accused, successfully contended that the summons had been improperly served, and the information was withdrawn.

A similar complaint was then heard against Robert Wilkinson, also of Lake district. In this Mr. Schultz took the preliminary objection that the brook trout having been caught in a non-tidal, non-navigable stream, the court had no jurisdiction, as the recent decision of the Supreme Court of Canada, declaring certain sections of the Fisheries Act ultra vires of the Dominion parliament, cast a grave doubt on the power of the Dominion to make regulations respecting fishing rights and privileges in non-navigable provincial waters.

Captain Walbran, however, overruled the objection, and Mr. Schultz then set up a defence that the brook trout were caught by the accused in a stream running through private land granted out of the crown before Confederation, and that the owner of the property had given the accused permission to fish in the stream, it being further contended that the owner of the bed of the stream had a proprietary right in the fish, the right of fishing being a right of property and one of the profits of the land. Mr. Schultz also submitted that where in any proceedings before a magistrate, a claim of right is set up which on the face of it is not absurd or unreasonable, the jurisdiction of the magistrate to determine the matter in dispute is ousted, as it would be an anomaly to have a magistrate reviewing the decisions of superior courts.

Captain Walbran, however, held that it was his duty to act according to the fishery regulations, which prescribed a close season for the preservation of the fish, and therefore recorded a conviction against Williamson without the imposition of a fine, as the offence had been committed in ignorance of the law.

It is expected that the conviction will be appealed, upon the interesting points as to constitutionality raised in the defence. Yesterday's proceedings were watched with keen attention by a large proportion of the residents of Lake. The family difficulties which are understood to be at the base of the present proceedings being well understood throughout the entire neighborhood. They are expected to be productive of yet further litigation.

MINING IN ONTARIO.

Work Paralyzed Because of the Government's Action.

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Land Registry Office, Victoria,
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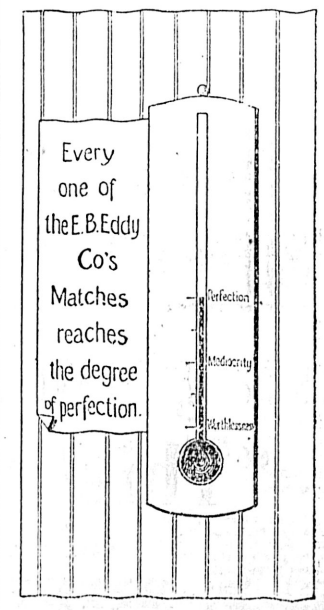

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Termination of Post Office Investigation in Vancouver—Low Water in the Fraser.

The Loyal Address of the Orangemen—Placer Gold Found at Salmo.

(Special to COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, March 12.—The government post office inquiry has abruptly ended and everyone is wondering why it ever started. Of the six or eight witnesses called in the Green case only one bore evidence against him, and that of a very unconvincing nature. As there were no further witnesses forthcoming the evidence abruptly closed, Mr. Bowser, the government commissioner, stating that it was his place to hear evidence only, not to prosecute.

Vancouver is not copying Westminster in the matter of reducing salaries. The salaries of three officials are about to be increased.

The bicyclists want a cinder path along Pender street to the park, and the bicycle club members undertake that a tax shall be imposed on riders for its building and maintenance. The city solicitor is to give his opinion as to the legality of the city setting apart a portion of the street for the exclusive use of cyclists.

Mining stocks are considerably more active in Vancouver. Orphan Boy has partially recovered from the depression caused by the former secretary's alleged irregularities, and is in active demand. Golden Cache is still changing hands at $1.70, and Bondholder is in active demand 11 and 12 cents. The army of Coast prospectors is constantly swelling, no less than 235 certificates being registered in Westminster in the past three weeks. Lillooet, Texada, Valdez, Jervis Inlet, Pitt River and Harrison river are the principal places visited.

Rev. F. Ford, curate of St. James, has been nominated by Bishop Dart to take charge of the parish of Holy Trinity, Revelstoke.

A lamp exploded in a Chinese laundry on Hastings street last night and set fire to the building. Sergeant Johnston and Officer Purdy extinguished the flames.

Japanese Consul Nosse left for the east yesterday on business connected with the consulate.

Leir Smith, wanted in Seattle for forgery, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Lane of Seattle up north yesterday where he was posing as a mining expert.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, March 12.—Two more parties of prospectors left here yesterday for Harrison Lake.

The water on the Upper Fraser is very low, making navigation difficult.

Mrs. Harry Trimm died suddenly at her residence, Waltham island, on Thursday morning, from heart trouble

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, March 12.—It was expected that Mr. Samuel M. Robins, superintendent of the New Vancouver Coal Company, who has been on a business visit to the head office of the company in London, England, would leave for Nanaimo yesterday on one of the White Star line steamers. The air is full of rumors as to the import of his visit, and what has been decided as to the future operations of the company.

The Licensing court of Wellington sat on Wednesday, Mayor Shore and Aldermen McDonald and Colquhoun occupying the bench. The application of David Patterson for a liquor license for the opera house came up. Mr. Crease of Victoria, appeared for David Anderson of Wellington, to oppose the granting of the license, and the various clergymen were also present to oppose the grant. The application of Mr. Martini for a liquor license at McKnight's boarding house on the townsite was similarly opposed. Both applications were refused.

At the annual meeting of the Grand Orange lodge held at Wellington, the following resolution was adopted: "That this Provincial Orange Grand Lodge of British Columbia, now in session, extend our hearty congratulations to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria on attaining this the diamond jubilee of her reign as sovereign of the British Empire, and we hereby renew our expressions of loyalty and allegiance to the government of our Dominion and to the Imperial authority, and pray that she may be spared many years to rule over her wide domain before the message comes from the King of Kings—remove the diadem; take off the crown." The proceedings were brought to a conclusion by a banquet at the Abbotsford hotel.

SALMO.

(From the Rossland Record.)

Crawford Wright is in town from Salmo, and reports great excitement occasioned by the discovery of placer diggings. Workmen while excavating under the store of C. W. Paterson, now in course of construction by J. H. Oliver, of Spokane, found gold nuggets to the value of $8 to $10. As soon as the news leaked out, staking placer mines was the rage; hotels, stores and offices were left open, owners being away staking claims. J. H. Dondlut discovered the location start at what was once the mouth of the North Fork of the Salmon river, which is included within the limit of the townsite grant, running diagonally through the town until it strikes the railroad, and then following up the old dry bed in the direction of the North Fork. It has every indication of being good placer ground, as the position is in a natural basin and an abundance of water can be had at all seasons of the year at a reasonable expense. The people of Salmo feel quite jubilant over the discovery, as coupled with the immense ore bodies of the adjacent hills, they think there is a bright future in store for their town. Building is going on as fast as lumber can be had, the only drawback being the depth of snow, which makes it rather inconvenient getting around.

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

TO THE EDITOR:—Your correspondent, "Another Ratepayer," asks what I mean by "an irresponsible school board." My reply is, the school board is not responsible for any extravagance it may indulge in; it may increase the number of teachers and augment their salaries; it may recommend music, bicycles and hot lunches as being necessary for the advancement, health and recreation of pupils; it may recommend the building of new school houses and many other expenses which the party finding the "ways and means" could do without—irresponsible because it does not find the ways and means it "holds up" the city council—demands "your money" or take the consequences. Such a condition of things is entirely opposed to sound business principles and cannot be allowed to continue. I cannot see that the school board is composed of different material or of higher principles than the municipal council is, nor do I think it less honest or less competent to receive and disburse $20,000, or any other sum of government money, than the school board.

I consider the school board is unwise and indiscreet in demanding any sum for the enlargement of the High school in our present financial position. First of all, I believe the title to the land on which this school stands is not vested in the city; if this is the case it is not prudent to build on the land of other persons. Then the High school is not very popular with many electors, who think it should be self-supporting, or nearly so, and who believe they are doing their duty fully and amply when they maintain a first-class system of primary education. Considering the matter of title, the feeling regarding the High school, and the present state of city finances, the school board, if it presses for a public vote of $17,000, it may have a rude awakening and find itself left.

CITIZEN.

CHEAP MONEY.

TO THE EDITOR:—Will you permit me to make a short reply to Mr. W. H. Hayward's very good letter on this important subject, which I will begin by saying that I am aware of the fact that the Imperial government has made loans to Irish and Scotch landlords and tenants for the improvement and purchase of land, but I am not in possession of accurate knowledge, nor has Mr. Hayward told us what the arrears of principal and interest due the government are, but I believe they are very large. A wealthy country like Great Britain, with control of all its own revenues, and banker and money lender to the whole world, can do very many things and try financial experiments which British Columbia—a borrowing and not a lending province—with little wealth, a sparse population, with control of a part of its revenue only, the larger part of it going to the Dominion, cannot do, or experiment on. The same argument in a small way will apply to New Zealand, as compared with this province. Farming is a business which has no more claim on government aid than commerce has—at the same time I fully approve the policy of helping the young and struggling farmer and immigrant. I still adhere to the opinion that a borrowing government cannot afford to, or wisely become a lending government, and have on its books a long list of arrears, and on its hands a number of incumbered and unsaleable farms.

I think, however, that the borrower should be relieved from the mortgage or personal property tax, which should be borne by the lender, and if the government can constitutionally afford relief in this direction it would be well.

CUMTAX.

YUKON ROUTES.

TO THE EDITOR:—As the above subject is engaging the attention of several correspondents in your columns at the present juncture, would you kindly, for the benefit of those contemplating a journey into the district, give publicity to the following extracts from a letter just received by me from my son, at Skagwa Bay?

"The canyon above Dyea is impassable, and everything has to be packed on men's backs or on sleighs, the snow being so soft that horses cannot be used, and from present indications the coming spring is going to be the hardest on record for men to get their supplies over the summit. Not a man has got a pound of stuff to Sheep Camp yet.

"The eight men who went through the White Pass are over the summit now with all their stuff. Two of them had 3,000 pounds between them."

Further comment as to the superiority of the White Pass route for winter travel is unnecessary. WM. MOORE.

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Following is an extract from "Mining," the official journal of the Northwest Mining Association:

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The "Argo" lies on the side hill and takes in part of the Sandon townsite, the Kaslo and Slocan Railway runs through both claims and within a couple hundred feet of the present workings.

The "Belt" lies alongside the "Argo." Development work consists of one tunnel driven for a distance of 227 feet, another of 40 feet above this one, also a shaft from the croppings to the lower tunnel

On the surface a magnificent body of ore is shown by an open cut the paystreak averaging about 16 inches in width.

No. 1 tunnel is driven a distance of 40 feet on the lead and has ore from its mouth to the face, a shaft or winze was then sunk on the lead for a perpendicular distance of 46 feet.

No. 2 tunnel, which was started below No. 1, is now in 227 feet and has solid ore on the roof, the floor and the face averaging from six to 16 inches.

From a calculation recently made there is now standing, blocked out, about $20,000 of clean ore, besides a large amount of carbonates running as high as the galena.

The cost of shipping from the mine to the railway is but a few cents per ton.

The width of the vein upon which present operations are being made average five feet; and from assays made it is ascertained that the ore will average in silver and lead from $90 to $125 per ton.

W. A. CARLYLE, Provincial Mineralogist, in his recent report of the Slocan District, states: "That on the surface in one place the vein was cleared off for ten to twelve feet, showing a maximum width of three to four feet of solid ore." This report was made before the mine was developed to its present condition.

The company is capitalized lower than any in the Slocan or Kootenay Districts. The public know what they are buying and have no further liability. Vendors' stock will be pooled under agreement for six months from date of incorporation.

There is no property promising greater merit offering on the market to-day.

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This is likely to prove one of the bonanzas of British Columbia. There are four claims, the Athabasca, Alberta, Algoma and Manitoba. Mr. Albert J. Hill, M A M.E., M. Can. Soc. C.E., in his report says in part: "Seven ledges of free milling ore have been opened on the property, varying in thickness from one to eight feet, in every opening I detected free gold."

"Ledge No. 1, as shown approximately on the sketch plan, varies in thickness from two to four feet. It is opened by shafts at three points and a twenty-five foot tunnel driven on the lead and is traced on the strike for about 600 feet. Some fifteen to twenty tons of ore are lying on the several dumps, a certified assay of which gives $207.45 per ton, of which $201.00 is gold and $6.45 silver, though picked specimens which I have examined would evidently give very many times that value, and I think I am well within the limit of probability when I suggest a general average of $200.00 per ton, while the average of the ledge will be, I believe fully $100.00 to the ton."

It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96.00 $291.00, $360.00, $146.00, $9,866, and $17,760 to the ton

The Brokers for this Company thought so much of the property after making most searching investigations, that they purchased for themselves a large block of the stock.

About $10,000 in cash is now available for active development work, consequently all the men that can be employed are now working on the property. Estimates for the machinery required are now being invited. 50,000 shares only of the Treasury stock are offered for sale at 25 cents, 10,000 of which will be sold here, the balance in the East.

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GOING NORTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A.M. 8:00	P.M. 3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:33
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	A.M. 8:20	P.M. 3:30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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" Nanaimo for Comox, Wednesday 7 a.m.
" Comox for Nanaimo, Friday, 7 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Victoria, Saturday, 7 a.m.

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Mar... 2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27	Mar...5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30

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JOHN IRVING, Manager

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FARMERS AND LEGISLATION.

There is a growing tendency in this Province, which finds expression in the legislature and the press, to represent the farmers as being in a really deplorable condition. There is nothing particularly new in this sort of thing. It is time-worn if not time-honored. In every province of Canada and every state of the American Union, the same song has been sung over and over again, principally by the political party that happens to be out of power. We never hear anything of the poor down-trodden blacksmith, or the persecuted grocer, or the oppressed carpenter. They have their share of trials and tribulations, no doubt, but no one exploits them in the press or on the political platform. They must suffer without a champion. No political quack advertises his cure-alls for their ills; no social revivalist tells them what they must do to be saved.

The COLONIST yields to no one in a desire to see the agriculturrl interests of this Province advanced in every possible way. It recognizes in the fullest degree the incomparable value of agriculture to any community. Other industries for a time may overshadow it, but in the long run the welfare of every community depends upon the fruits of the soil. To make a more specific application of the idea, more depends upon the development of British Columbia agriculture even than upon the development of its mines. If the latter are fully exploited vast amounts of wealth will be created, but the Province will enjoy comparatively little benefit from it, unless the men who work in the mines are, as far as possible, clothed and fed from the products of British Columbia farms. If this can be done the most of the wealth will remain with us, for it costs a very large percentage of their value to produce the precious metals. If this is not done to a very much greater extent than at present, the precious metals and the greater part of what it costs to produce them will go to people outside of the Province, and when the day comes that our mines are exhausted, and it must necessarily come some time, the Province will be sucked dry like an orange.

It is therefore of the highest importance that everything should be done that can be done to advance the interests of agriculture in British Columbia, but we submit that the way to do this is not to keep the farmers in a state of unrest and dissatisfaction by telling them that the whole tendency of legislation has been to their disadvantage and by persuading them that they can be made prosperous by some trick of legislative legerdemain. It is as much a matter of business to grow the raw produce of the soil and market it in its best and most saleable form as it is to sell boots and shoes, can salmon or operate gold mines, and the principles which ensure success in the one will ensure success in the other. If any self-constituted saviour should set himself up to show the merchant, the artizan or the miner how he could be made prosperous, his talk would fall upon deaf ears. There is no royal road to success in farming. Industry, thrift and intelligent business methods will ensure success, and they alone will do so. Wherever in this Province or elsewhere farmers have adopted an intelligent plan of co-operation, and have carried it out honestly, they have found it pay. Co-operation in the disposal of farm products is simply the application of a business principle of proved value. It is co-operation that built up the great British commercial marine; co-operation is the basis of our banking system; co-operation by the change of only two letters becomes corporation, and the difference between co-operative plans and the great modern system of doing business through the means of corporations is no greater than that between the two words.

It is useless to talk about elevating the farming community from without. It must be elevated from within. This is not to say that there are not changes in the laws which would be advantageous to farmers and others, or that it is not possible for the legislature to do anything to benefit agriculture. Laws to facilitate and encourage co-operation, expenditure on roads and bridges to enable farmers to get to market more readily, importations of improved stock, lectures on practical subjects by practical men, are some of the methods by which this industry may be advanced. But primarily the farmers must depend upon themselves. It is wrong to mislead them into supposing that the legislature can do for their industry what it can do for no other.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The proposed Canada-Australia cable, of which so much was said last year, has been allowed to drop out of sight. We hope this does not mean that there has been any halt in the negotiations, as there is really no time to be lost if we are to have direct cable communication from our shores to the Australian colonies. We have information of a private character to the effect that an effort is being made to give Australia the desired all-British telegraphic connection by means of a line which will cross the Southern portion of the Indian Ocean to the Cape of Good Hope, and there is a prospect that this may be pushed through successfully. It is certainly in such a shape as to seriously menace the Pacific route, for we take it that if the Australian colonies can be induced to give their aid to the route via the Cape the laying of a line to Canada will be indefinitely postponed.

Under these circumstances we submit to the Dominion government that it becomes an important duty to press forward the negotiations with the Australian governments with the greatest possible speed. Hitherto most of the negotiations have been with the Imperial authorities. It may be taken for granted that the home government is prepared to do its duty in the premises as soon as the colonial governments interested have agreed as to the responsibility to be assumed by them respectively. It might be desirable for the British Columbia legislature to pass a resolution on the subject to be forwarded to the Ottawa ministry. Whatever is best calculated to expedite the construction of the Pacific cable should be done at the earliest possible day. Canada at large, and British Columbia particularly, have much to hope from this cable.

WATER RIGHTS.

"The Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897," is a very comprehensive measure, and as far as can be gathered from a necessarily superficial examination, seems to be well devised for the purposes which it is intended to serve. In an act of 155 sections, covering a subject with so many ramifications, it is to be expected that there will be some provisions the expediency of which is debateable, and it is to be assumed that the bill will call forth very full discussion and much keen criticism. This is highly desirable, for it is of importance that no measure of this nature—one affecting the investment of large sums of money as well as public and private rights—should go upon the statute book without all its features receiving the most searching investigation.

As a summary of the bill is given in another column, it is not necessary in this article to go at all into particulars, further than to say that it appears to be a successful attempt so to secure water rights to persons obtaining them as to make the investment of capital in plants of various kind perfectly secure, to provide against the monopolizing of such right to the disadvantage of the public, to preserve to municipal corporations the rights to obtain the use of water for municipal purposes upon terms that are reasonable, and to give the Province a revenue from the very valuable assets which its water privileges will prove to be. This bill is undoubtedly one of the most important that has been submitted to the legislature in many years, and its passage alone will give character to the work of the session.

GOLD is found in the Saskatchewan in black sand. At the present time it is washed out by a crude machine called a grizzley, and recently the yield has not averaged more than $1.50 for every six tons of gravel. When the bars were first worked they yielded about ten times as much as this. The miners have observed that when bars were abandoned they became auriferous again, the gold occurring in minute particles visible only by reason of their sparkle against the sand. Where the gold came from therefore became a question of great interest, and another was as to the source of the platinum found in connection with the gold. Someone suggested that it came from the black sand, and an assay of the sand which had passed through a grizzley was made. It was found to contain gold at the rate of $54 to the ton. Another assay showed $268 to the ton in gold and platinum out of sand from which all the free gold had been panned. The Edmonton Bulletin tells the story at considerable length and we reproduce the article elsewhere.

THE house is now and has been for some time very hard at work. No very just estimate can be formed of the activity of the members from the length of the daily sessions, nor is it fair to compare this legislature with those of Eastern provinces to its disadvantage. On the first point it may be mentioned that a great amount of arduous work is being done by the committees and much more remains to be done. On the second point it may be observed that in a province like British Columbia, where new resources are being opened up, a great diversity of questions of a difficult nature constantly arise and they cannot be settled off-hand.

THE Ottawa Citizen says the observations of the COLONIST as to the profitable character from a Dominion point of view of railway development in British Columbia is an argument against giving any aid at all to new roads. This is too sweeping an assertion altogether. It may be fairly urged against some lines, but not against others. There is a distinction between development and purely competing railways, which the party with which the Citizen has always been affiliated never failed to recognize. The former have always been admitted to be worthy of government assistance.

IT costs Great Britain $88,500,000 a year to maintain her army; France spends $101,000,000 on hers and Germany $118,320,000 on hers; while the United States pays out $144,000,000 in pensions on account of a war that ended thirty-two years ago, and her present military establishment costs $55,000,000 a year. The United States expends at the rate of $2,000 per man under arms; Great Britain, $640 per man; Germany, $195 per man and France, $176, not including pensions in either case.

THE Nelson Tribune with utter disregard of the truth asserts that Dr. George Duncan in order to ensure the election of Messrs. Earle and Prior, neglected his duties and allowed persons to go from the quarantine to vote. The Tribune has probably been misled by the falsehoods unblushingly told by a few soreheads in this city. The fact of the matter is that the "chicken-pox suspect" who was allowed to go out and exercise his franchise voted for Messrs. Milne and Templeman.

GLADSTONE has again declined a peerage, but is willing to accept one for his 12-year old grandson. "Gladstone" is title enough for any man.

THE CANADIAN PRESS,

OUR CLAIMS ON THE DOMINION.

British Columbia pays almost four times as much per head into the Dominion treasury as any other province and considerably more than it receives in return by way of subsidy and public works.—Rosslander.

THAT LE ROI ORE TEST.

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LABOR IN ROSSLAND.

It is estimated that there are about 4,000 claims owned by prospectors who make Rossland their headquarters or purchased by development companies with head offices at Rossland upon which the $100 assessment work must be done this season, which totals $400,000. The recent successful test of the Le Roi low grade ore will almost assuredly result in the erection of at least 10 stamp mills in the immediate vicinity of this city, the erection of which and the extra amount to be paid out to miners and mill men on account of this method of reducing the abundance of silicious ores in the Rossland mining district will swell the wage bill of the camp by at least $600,000. It is safe to say, then, that $1,000,000 worth of work will be done this season by these two items alone.—Rossland Record.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"There is no occasion for you to envy me," said the prosperous person. "I have as many troubles as you."

"I allow you do, mister," admitted Dismal Dawson; "but the difficulty with me is, that I ain't got nothing else."—Indianapolis Journal.

Scene Young man in dimly lighted parlor, holding enamored fair one in his lap. Old gent standing at head of stairs. Father—Daughter, is that young man gone yet? Daughter—No, papa. Father—Is he making any progress in that direction? Daughter—No-o, but he's holding his own. Adams Freeman.

"Do you mean to say," asked the visitor in horror, "that the gentleman was shot for simply rising and making a motion during a meeting of your debating society?" "Sut'inly," said the colonel, "but you must remembah, sah, that the motion he was called down on was made in the direction of his hip pocket, sah."—Detroit Free Press.

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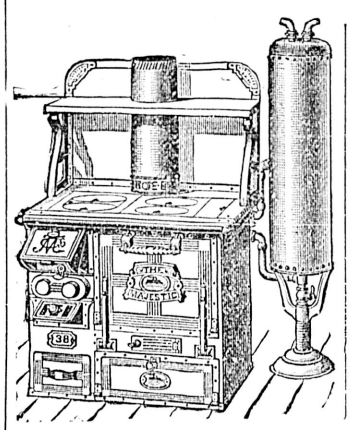

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REV. A. B. WINCHESTER addressed yesterday's open meeting of the Y. W. C. A., his subject being the giving of tithes.

IN the case of L. H. Jenns of Vancouver, against Col. Henry Landes, his father-in-law, the plaintiff has been awarded an interlocutory judgment and the court assesses the damages.

ALTHOUGH repairs will not be entirely completed by that time the damages by the recent fire at Christ Church cathedral will have been sufficiently remedied by to-morrow for the holding of all the customary services at the usual hours.

AS THE trout fishing season opens on the 16th March it would be well for intended fishermen to note, that brook trout cannot be caught in any other way than by hook and line, and that the use of salmon roe is specially prohibited.

THE Victoria Bar Association at a special meeting yesterday nominated the following as Victoria's candidates for benchers of the law society, at the election to take place at the end of this month: Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., E. V. Bodwell, F. B. Gregory, H. D. Helmcken, Q.C., and J. S. Yates, M.A.

"AROUND the World in 100 Minutes" is the somewhat familiar but appropriate title chosen for an illustrated lecture which Mr. Lister presents at A. O. U. W. hall on Tuesday next. The entertainer has enjoyed the advantages of extensive travel in many lands and has resided in China and Japan between the years 1860 and 1894 and also in the Australian goldfields.

THE Real Estate saloon in Vancouver has passed into the hands of Messrs. Stratton & Dickson, by whom it will be conducted in future. The new firm is composed of Mr. Bert Stratton, the popular steward of the Charmer, and Mr. W. Dickson, of Victoria, who also knows everybody in the province and is well liked by all. Together they make a strong and energetic business team—a team that should make an enviable record.

THE meeting of the Sir William Wallace Society last night was of more than usual interest, as the members held a social gathering and refreshments were served, consisting chiefly of oatcakes and bannocks. A sketch of the Scot, St. Patrick, who hailed from the Clyde, was given by one of the members, and Wallace's life was briefly referred to by Mr. Muir. The songs sung were: "The Auld Scotch Sangs," "In Scotia Dear," "Corn Rigs," "Waes Me for Prince Charlie," "Nelly Brown," "The Wells O' the Weirie," and "Kilted Lads."

ARRANGEMENTS are being made to bring the Hext Concert Company to Victoria in the near future. Herr Carl Walther, the Belgian violinist, who travels with them, has been likened to Ole Bull in his playing, and has been associated with such artists as Patti, Neilsson, Albani, Lady Halle, and next year he will tour with the young piano virtuoso, Josef Hoffman. This is Walther's first visit to this country, and he is now on his way to Australia. His playing appeals to the masses rather than to the severe classicists, as he believes in popular programmes.

NO WORD has been heard of Fred Cole, the cook of the schooner Triumph, since he deserted from the vessel at Clayoquot a few weeks ago and started to walk to Victoria—a perilous undertaking indeed at this season of the year. The general impression is that he has perished in the woods, although there is a possibility that he may be receiving shelter at some of the Indian reservations. The present is the third occasion on which Cole has been given up as dead during the past three years—once on the Japanese side and once while he was missing with his sealing schooner in northern waters.

THE fact that he was in liquor at the time he disgraced himself and violated the law for the protection of womanhood saved Herbert, or "Budd," King from feeling the full severity of the law. He pleaded guilty when brought before Mr. Justice Drake in the speedy trials court yesterday, and through Mr. E. E. Wootton, his counsel, asked that immediate disposition of the case be made. It was pointed out in his behalf by Mr. Wootton that even at the time he was taken to the lockup he was still "heavy" and hardly accountable for his own actions by reason of the liquor. This fact was taken into account by the court, but to counterbalance it was the statement of Chief Sheppard that King had borne a hard name for some time past and had even been brought close to punishment on a former occasion by conduct very similar to that upon which the present proceedings were based. A sentence of eighteen months at hard labor was recorded.

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VOCAL solos by Capt. Ross Monro are the special feature arranged for this evening's promenade concert under Bandmaster Finn's direction at the drill hall. The complete programme follows:

March—"Rifle Regiment" ..... Sousa
Overture—"William Tell" ..... Rossini
(a) Polka—"The Anvil" ..... Parlow
(b) Intermezzo—"Forget-me-not" .. Macbeth
Vocal Solo—"Clang of the Hammer" Bonheur ..... Capt. Monro
Selection from "Les Huguenots," Meyerbeer
Spanish Waltz—"Espana" ..... Waldtuefel
Vocal Solo—"Old Comrades" ..... Pinsuti ..... Capt. Monro.
Grand Potpourri of "Minstrel Melodies" ..... Finn
God Save the Queen.

A MAP of the Salmon and Wild Horse mining districts of West Kootenay has just been issuen by Field, Hobbs & Co., mining brokers, of Rossland. The map was compiled by George D. Curtis, and shows over twelve hundred mineral claims as well as the general features of the district, of which the town of Salmo is the centre. Accompanying the map is a catalogue containing the names and numbers of the claims. The information contained in the two is of the greatest value to all interested or desirous of becoming interested in all that district lying east of the Columbia river and south of Nelson city. Anyone desiring the map should communicate with Field, Hobbs & Co., Rossland, B. C.

A SPECIAL meeting of the council of the board of trade has been convened for 10 o'clock this morning at which Mr. William Selover will present his proposition looking to the erection of a smelter in this city. Hon. E. G. Prior and Mr. Thomas Earle, M.'s P., have also been invited to attend and discuss with the council any public matters which may require special attention while they are at Ottawa. These council meetings are open to members of the board of trade, who may not, however, take any part in the proceedings. The meeting this morning being considered of more than ordinary importance, several members of the board have stated their intention to be present. Mr. G. A. Kirk, the vice-president, will take the chair.

THE subjoined excellent programme will be presented by the minstrel troupe of H. M. S. Imperieuse at the Y. M. C. A. this evening. All desirous of seeing the performance are advised to be on hand in good time to secure seats: Pianoforte solo, selected, Mr. Bantly; song, "The Wreck," Mr. Moss; recitation, "The Fisher Boy." Mr. Gargreaves; comic song (in character), medley, Mr. Lloyd; violin solo, selected, Mr. Darcy; recitation, "A Porter's Story," Mr. Back; song, "The Song That Reached My Heart," Mr. Brown; song, "Fallen By The Wayside," Mr. Mitchell; cornet solo, "The Star Of Bethlehem," Mr. Moss; song and dance (in character), "The Darkie's Jubilee," Mr. Lloyd; recitation, "A Soldier's Pardon," Mr. Gargreaves; song, "The Sheeney Man," Mr. Woodall; song, "My Dear Husband," song (in character), selected, Mr. Miles; recitation, "A Soldier's Vengeance," Mr. Back; chorus, "Auld Lang Syne."

TO THINK that all was under male supervision, that the ladies were "out of it," and that the affair in general was such a grand success, gave the young men managing the entertainment in the Centennial Methodist church last evening unspeakable courage and unexpected confidence in themselves, while their young lady guests, who have always in the past taken charge of such events, were amused at the proceedings. The programme provided consisted of five choruses by the choir and "official" board, an excellent reading by Mr. W. W. Hall; a duet, rendered in fine style by Messrs. Bone and Le Dille; a solo, by Mr. J. Gray; and an instrumental selection by Dr. Humber, with addresses by Mr. Shakespeare (who acted as master of ceremonies), Mr. Morris and Rev. J. F. Betts. Two collections were taken up and one subscription. The results of the competition for cake-baking were as follows: First prize, Mr. Phriddams; second, Mr. Carmode; third, Mr. McConnell; fourth, Mr. Geaves.

RETURNS FOR SURVEY.

The Big Ship "Verbena" Gets No Further Than the Cape on Her Voyage to Australia.

Another of the lumber fleet is back in Esquimalt harbor for survey and probable repair; the big ship Verbena, which put to sea from Vancouver yesterday morning, having been obliged to return at the right-about in consequence of leaking ports. She is a vessel of 1,719 sons—a staunch iron craft—and came here a month or so ago to take cargo at Moodyville for Adelaide. While at the Mainland mill, ports were cut, and no defect appeared in the work until the laden ship got out in the swell. Then the water came in so quickly at the new ports that Captain Judd concluded it would be dangerous to continue on his long voyage. The Lorne accordingly brought the Verbena back to Esquimalt, and to-day a survey will be made to decide as to future operations.

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The Soldiers and The Wanderers Dispose of Old Scores To-Day on the Football Field.

It is more than probable that despite the snow and slush and general sloppiness there will be quite a crowd of football enthusiasts at Caledonia Park this afternoon to witness the meeting of the cup defenders—the senior Wanderers—and their most formidable rivals, the Barrack Athletics. And it is also quite within the bounds of likelihood that those who with the players defy the vagaries of the weather will be rewarded by seeing a desperately fought game.

The fact of each team demanding that there shall be no postponement under any conditions shows that both are ready and determined to play hard football and win if a win is possible. The soldiers were never in such magnificent team form as now, and their confidence is reassuring to their friends and supporters who point with pride to their record for the present season—not a single defeat and 120 goals scored to 9 lost. They go into the game today with an openly expressed determination to lower the colors of the champions and "show them their proper place."

On the other hand the Wanderers under Livingstone have been quietly strengthening the weak parts of the team and arranging it to the best advantage. In individual fitness they acknowledge no inferiority to their opponents, and although the team has not had opportunity to get in much work together each member is an old footballer and know how to play the game. The kick-off is set for 3 o'clock and the forces will take the field in position as below.

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Goward. Petticrew.
Reid. Johnstone. Falconer.
Livingstone (Capt.)
Peden. Goward. Campbell. Dakers.
Hall. Cannon. Hanbury. Low.
Russell.
Kelly. Rann. Townsend (Capt.)
Stewart. Gadsby.
Lyons.
Garrison Athletic.

Owing to the bad weather the golf tournament which was to have taken place to-day at the Oak Bay links has been postponed. Next Saturday is now set for the decision of events.

The football match arranged for today between the Fifth Regiment team and H.M.S. Comus is "off." A glance at the grounds makes further explanation unnecessary.

TO RAISE THE COFFERDAM.

City Council Agrees to Take it Over From the Contractors.

The city council last night had another special meeting to discuss whether or not to take over the cofferdam at Beaver lake, raise it two feet and utilize it as a permanent work. After the proceedings had opened the waterworks contractors, Messrs. Walkley, King & Casey, entered attended by Mr. L. P. Duff, of Bodwell, Irving & Duff, and a consultation followed.

In regard to the resolution passed at the last special meeting to the effect that if the contractors did not go ahead with the work the city would take over the whole, Mr. Walkley remarked that it was impossible for the contractors with the water at its present height to search for the leaks and that the city had blocked up the drain that would have served as an outlet to run the water off so that the leaks could be discovered.

In answer to questions as to whether the contractors were willing to go ahead and hunt for the leaks, provided the city took over the cofferdam without prejudice and raised it, the contractors in effect stated that they would be quite ready to go on with their contract if the cofferdam were raised and the outlet opened to drain off the water down to the gates. As to whether, in the event of the leaks proving to be below the gates, the city or the contractors should pay for the pumping out of the water appears still a moot question.

Ald. Partridge wanted to know if the contractors were willing to make a proposition to the city to take the work over.

Mr. Walkley replied affirmatively.

Ald. Partridge—Then I would like to have the contractors given five or six days to make their proposition.

This, however, did not seem to meet with any general response from the other aldermen.

The contractors then having retired the council passed the resolution to take over the cofferdam and raise it, and authorized the signing of the agreement to that effect with the contractors.

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LIVES OF ADVENTURE ENDED.

Commander Gooch, R. N., Who Played an Important Part Here in '58, Closes His Career.

Captain Thomas Sherlocke Gooch, R. N., who played no unimportant part in the early history of Vancouver island, is dead, his end coming suddenly at Tedworth Square, London, on the 16th of February last. He was 65 years of age, and having spent practically his entire lifetime under the colors afloat, it was but natural that he should have played a conspicuous part in not a few stirring scenes that have gone to the making of history during the past half century. The late captain was an only son of Admiral Thomas Lewis Gooch, and followed in the footsteps of his father almost from babyhood.

"He entered the Navy," to quote the London Mail, "in March 1845, and in May 1851 was made a sub-lieutenant. As mate of the Rattler he was present at the capture of Martaban, and at engagements with stockades in the Irawadi, and was second in command of the naval brigade at the storming of Dagon Pagoda in 1852. Captain Gooch was acting lieutenant of the Fox, and was employed on detached duty during subsequent operations of the Burmese war, receiving the Burmese medal with Pegu clasp. As lieutenant of the Meander he was present during the blockade of Archangel in 1855, and as lieutenant of the Satellite received the thanks of Vancouver Island in 1858 for assistingt the Colonial Surveyor in exploring the island. In 1864 he was sent to the interior of British Columbia, in command of 200 seamen and marines, with a field piece, to quell an apprehended insurrection of the miners. The Lieutenant-Governor officially reported on 'the rapidity of the advance and the manifest good discipline of the force' under Captain Gooch's orders. When commanding the Flamer in 1864 he had charge of a squadron of gunboats for the protection of Amoy from the Taeping rebels. He retired in October, 1873, and as retired captain commanded the Bristol Channel Brigade of Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers from April, 1879, to October, 1883. On his giving up the command, the admiralty expressed their approbation of his services and their regret at his resignation. He also wrote a history of the naval volunteer movement."

Another naval officer just deceased, who also was well known here, was Commander G. Y. R. Rattray, who passed away at Brighton on February 20, in his 61st year. He joined the Navy in October, 1847, and served in the Amphitrite for two seasons in the Behring Straits, conveying stores to the Arctic search expedition, and in the Pique at the attack on Petropaulovski during the Russian war. He was promoted to the rank of sub-lieutenant in June, 1856, and that of lieutenant in May, 1858, and retired as a commander in October, 1873.

THEY have admirable automatic doors in Victoria's Chinatown, as a party of celebrating shellbacks from Esquimalt discovered to their discomfiture on Thursday night. The tars were on an unofficial tour of investigation and knocked impudently for admittance at a Chinese door; it "half-opened" and one of the shellbacks undertook to kick it in—with the result that his foot went through at the first kick, and he was held as neatly as if he had grown on the spot. His own frantic efforts to cast off only served to tighten the hold of the broken door upon his imprisoned foot, and to make his misery complete his companions found it in their hearts to retire about ten feet and from that range pelt him with snowballs. Finally they listened to his pleadings and released him, though not without difficulty. The police are now endeavoring to fasten a charge of malicious injury to property upon the proper persons.

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WATER CLAUSES ACT.

A Most Important Bill Presented Yesterday in the House of Assembly.

It Consolidates and Amends the Law Relating to Acquirement of Water Rights.

"The Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897," is the short title of a bill which was presented to the legislature yesterday, to which the public, and especially those in the mining districts, have been looking forward with considerable interest. The purposes of the bill are set forth in the title, which reads: "An act to confirm to the Crown all unrecorded and unappropriated water and water-power in the province, and to consolidate and amend the law relating to the acquiring of water rights and privileges for ordinary domestic, mining and agricultural purposes, and for making adequate provision for municipal water supply and for the application of water-power to industrial and mechanical purposes." The act is divided into six parts, as follows:

1. Confirming to the Crown all unrecorded water.
2. The acquisition of water by record for ordinary domestic, agricultural and mining purposes.
3. The supplying of water by waterworks systems to cities, towns and unincorporated localities.
4. The acquisition of water for industrial or manufacturing purposes by companies entitled under their terms of incorporation to avail themselves of the provisions of this part.
5. Procedure for the expropriation and acquisition of land in aid of the exercise by municipal corporations, or incorporated companies of the privileges and powers conferred and created by parts iii and iv of this act:
6. Regulations and repeal of former enactments.

Part 1 continuing the policy enumerated by the Water privileges act, 1892, declares that all unrecorded water in lakes, rivers, or streams are vested in the crown and that no right to permanent diversion or exclusive water rights shall be acquired by any riparian owner or by length of use or otherwise than under direct legislative authority. The Lieut.-Governor, it is provided may impose and reserve to the crown in right of the province, such rents, royalties, tolls and charges in respect of the waters, or of the lands of the crown and of the powers, rights and privileges, which are conferred by this act, as by the Lieut.-Governor in council shall be deemed to be just and proper. These changes being fixed for the space of five years, but thereafter subject to quinquennial adjustment, increase or decrease.

Part 2, provides that every privilege under this part of the act shall be conditional upon the reasonable use of the water acquired under such privilege. A mortgagee notwithstanding the abandonment on the part of the mortgager is allowed a reasonable time to hold the water rights to enable him to realize his security. Provisions are given setting forth the particulars that must be given to the commissioner appointed for the district by applicants for water privileges thirty days prior to making the record. These applications may be made for ordinary domestic, agricultural, mining (expressly including milling and concentrating uses) and by the owners of lands or a mine for ordinary mechanical and industrial purposes.

The Commissioner or Gold Commissioner on a day to be fixed shall adjudicate upon the applications having regard to the volume of water unrecorded and to pending applications or existing rights. On any dispute arising prior to record, priority of notice of application shall constitute priority, and a record dates from the day on which it is made.

Any person who would be entitled to apply for a water record if the water were unrecorded, but who is prevented by the existence of prior records, may apply for a record upon giving evidence that water already allowed to be diverted is in excess of what the then record holders require, or is being wilfully wasted, and the Commissioner or Gold Commissioner shall adjudicate upon the case.

Every record obtained by the owner of land or the owner of a mine shall be deemed as appurtenant to land or mine in respect of which such record is obtained.

Whenever a mine is worked out or abandoned or the occasion for the use of the water permanently ceases the record shall also cease.

Within 60 days of obtaining a record the holder shall commence the works for diverting or using the water, otherwise the record shall be cancelled unless the time be extended for cause shown. Provisions are made for the right of entry upon the lands of others for conveying the water by giving bonds and compensation.

Every holder of a record shall take all reasonable means for utilizing the water granted to him; and if he wilfully waste any water, or take a quantity of water in excess of his actual requirements, the commissioner or gold commissioner may, upon notice, cancel or reduce the record or impose all necessary conditions.

If, after a record of all the water in any stream has been made, any placer mines are located and bona fide worked below the point of diversion on the stream, the owner of such placer mines shall be entitled to the continuous flow in the streams past the mines of forty inches of water if two hundred inches be diverted, and sixty inches if three hundred inches be diverted, and no more, except upon paying to the holder of the record compensation equal to the amount of damage sustained by him on account of the allowance to the claim of such extra quantity of water; and, in computing such damage, the cost of the ditch shall be considered.

Provisions are made retaining the right of public roads to cross ditches or mining rights, and for the protection of Indians in the use of water on their reserves.

There may be an appeal from the decisions of the gold commissioner or commissioner under this part of the act, to the Supreme or County court and to the Full court.

Part 3, dealing with the municipal water supply, gives any municipality a right to obtain records of unrecorded water, and where sufficient supply is not available within reasonable limits of distance and expenditure, municipalities have, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in council, the right of expropriation over recorded water and all works in connection, to the extent deemed necessary for a proper supply for ordinary household purposes. The provision for recording unrecorded water are practically similar to those of part 2 except that upon the municipality applying for a record other applications pending for water within the application of the municipality shall be stayed until the application of the municipality is adjudicated upon and to the extent of its requirements the municipality shall have paramount right to the water. The municipality need not confine its application to the quantity of water actually required for present use, but may make bona fide provision for anticipated future expansion. No record for a municipality shall become void by reason of non-user, but the existence of a prior right in favor of a municipality shall be no bar to the grant of a subsequent temporary record to an applicant to use the water until it is actually diverted by the municipality under their record.

Waterworks companies may, with the consent of the municipality, construct systems in municipalities, and upon obtaining a certificate from a judge of the supreme court, may construct systems in unincorporated localities having sufficient population within an area not exceeding 2,000 acres. The rights of the company are made subject to the power of the municipality or of any future municipality, when incorporated, to expropriate the waterworks system. Upon expropriation a company is to be paid the total cost of the works, a sum sufficient to make their profits up to 15 per cent. on the actual paid up capital for the time the system is actually in operation and a bonus of 30 per cent. upon the cost of construction. The profits of a water company must not exceed 20 per cent in any one year.

Then follow general provisions relating to the management of all waterworks systems. The bill is not retrospective.

Part 4 of the act deals with all classes of companies (exclusive of waterworks companies) who desire to obtain water records and to apply water as a motive power, whether by direct application or by generating electricity to mechanical, industrial or irrigation enterprises, including hydraulic mining, tramways, telegraphs and telephones and electric lighting systems.

A special mode of incorporation is provided for companies desiring to come within this part of the act, and the objects of the company must be restricted to those specified. After incorporation and before commencing work, a certificate must be obtained from the Lieutenant-Governor-in-council, who shall, after careful inquiry, prescribe the amount of water which may be held by the company, the amount of the capital they must have subscribed, and the time for commencing and the mode of carrying on their operations. Within municipalities the companies must comply with the by-laws, and outside municipalities are under the lands and works department. Twelve months is the maximum period allowed any company to commence work.

This part also contains elaborate provisions for the management of companies for the safety of the public and for compelling the company to deal with the public without preference or discrimination. Powers of expropriation are conferred, but only to the extent of the actual necessities of the undertaking, and in regard to the changes which are made by any company, the bill contains the following provision, which appears as section 151 of the bill:

"Every by-law, resolution or minute of any power company under this act fixing, and every other schedule or proceeding which fixes or determines the tolls, fares, rates, rents or charges to be made, levied and collected by such power company, shall, within thirty days after the passing or making thereof, be submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor in council for approval, who may approve or disapprove of the same, in whole or in part, and may adjust, increase or decrease such tolls, rates or charges as he may deem expedient in the public interest:

(a.) "Every schedule or scale as approved pursuant to this section shall be published in form and manner directed in any rules and regulations for the time being in force under this act, or as may from time to time be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in council, and in any action brought against any person in respect of non-payment of any charge thereunder, such person may plead as an answer to such action that such publication has not been made as aforesaid."

Part 5, which deals with procedure of expropriation, states that:

No undertaking or work of any municipality, and no record or privilege appurtenant thereto, shall be taken or purchased by any other municipality or by any incorporated company under this act, except:

(a.) With the consent of the municipality owning such undertaking or work; or

(b.) Under authority of an order in council made by the Lieutenant-Governor in council upon its being made to appear to him that such taking or purchase is necessary or expedient in the interests of the public;

And no record or privilege appurtenant of any company incorporated under the act shall be compulsorily purchased by any other company operating any undertaking of a similar nature except under authority of an order in council and upon it being shown that such compulsory purchase is necessary or expedient to the public interest.

Municipalities and companies are empowered to give aid by way of bonuses, interest guarantees and exemption from taxes to any company under this part of the bill, and are empowered to take shares and purchase debentures of such companies.

(a.) In arriving at the sum to be paid by such purchasing company, the words "cost of construction" shall be deemed to include:

(1.) All sums of money actually and bona fide spent in and about the organization of the company, including all engineering, legal, and clerical expenses; or all sums of money actually and bona fide spent by the municipality in securing powers, rights, privileges or priorities, in respect of or relating to the undertaking or work purchased.

(2.) All sums of money actually and bona fide spent in and about the construction and maintenance of said undertaking or work up to date of purchase of the said works and property.

(3.) All sums paid by the municipality or company as and for damages, value, and compensation, to any person for the purchase or expropriation of lands, records and privileges passing with and or appurtenant to the undertaking or work purchased.

(4.) All or any sum or sums reasonably and actually paid by the municipality or company to any person in respect of the undertaking or work purchased, and not hereinbefore enumerated.

Part 6, dealing with regulations and the repeal of former enactments, provides among other things that the Lieut.-Governor in council may reserve the unrecorded water in any stream or lake for the use of the crown or for municipal purposes; the order in council shall contain a direction for a record of the water reserved.

Such reservation and record thereof shall not prevent the acquiring of records subject thereto, and for the purpose of diverting and using the water in the interim prior to the establishment of such a system; but no rights to compensation shall be acquired by virtue of any such interim record.

Where any reservation of unrecorded water is made as aforesaid, the Lieutenant-Governor in council may, in the order in council making such reserve, or in any subsequent order or orders, specify and declare the terms and conditions upon which the unrecorded water so reserved shall be available and may be acquired from the crown for use in respect of the purposes for which it has been so reserved.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council is given power to appoint water commissioners under the act and may establish a scale of fees payable on any proceeding under this act and provide for their collection. The act is made to come into effect on June 1, 1897.

The following acts and parts of acts are repealed:

Sections 59 to 79, both inclusive, of the "Mineral Act, 1896."

Section 54 and sections 56 to 78, both inclusive, of the "Placer Mining Act, 1891:"

Section 2 of the "Placer Mining Amendment Act, 1894."

Sections 39 to 52, both inclusive, of the "Land Act."

Section 9 of the "Land Act Amendment Act, 1891."

"An Act providing for the election and defining the duties of Water Viewers," being chapter one hundred and seventeen of the "Consolidated Acts, 1888."

"The Water Privileges Act, 1892."

Provided that such repeal shall not affect any rights acquired, or any liabilities or penalties incurred, or any act or thing done under any of the said Acts or parts of Acts.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, March 12.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. J. H. S. Sweet.

Mr. Rithet presented the report of the railway committee which found the preamble of the Kaslo and Lardo Duncan Railway bill proved and submitted the same with amendments. The report was received.

Mr. Kidd asked the Premier:

"1. Did the government in selling real property in New Westminster district for taxes, at the recent tax sale, sell the same subject to the payment by the purchasers, or their assigns, of such municipal taxes as were due on said property?

"2 Did the receipt given purchaser specify that the conveyance to be given for such real property so sold would be subject to any unpaid municipal taxes?

"3 Is it the intention of the government to introduce legislation to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act' so as to enable any municipal corporation to exercise the right of redeeming properties on which municipal taxes are unpaid, when such properties have been sold for provincial taxes which accrued before the incorporation of the municipality?"

The Premier replied:

1. "No."
2. "No."
3. "Yes."

The Attorney-General presented a message from the Lieutenant-Governor, transmitting to the house "An act to confirm to the crown all unrecorded and unappropriated water and water power in the province, and to consolidate and amend the law relating to the acquisition of water rights and privileges for ordinary domestic mining and agricultural purposes, and for making adequate provision for municipal water supply and for the application of water power to industrial and mechanical purposes."

The message was considered in committee, and the bill reported to the house. The report was adopted and the bill read a first time, and set down for second reading on Monday.

The Land Clauses Consolidation Act was passed through committee and reported, the adoption of the report being set down for the next sitting.

The printing committee reported recommending that certain papers presented be printed.

On Mr. Rogers moving the third reading of the Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields bill,

Mr. Macpherson moved to insert his amendment prohibiting the employment of Chinese or Japanese on the works of the company.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the amendment was out of order, travelling beyond the scope of the bill.

The bill was read a third time and passed.

The Revelstoke, Trout Lake and Big Bend Telephone Co.'s bill was read a second time on motion of Mr. Kellie.

Capt. Irving moved the second reading of the Cassiar Railway bill. This, too, was carried.

The debate on Dr. Walkem's anti-mortgage tax resolution was again adjourned.

THE LUNACY ACT.

Hon. Col. Baker in moving the second reading of the Lunacy Act, said very great care had been taken in framing the bill. It had been referred to the medical associations and to medical experts in cases of lunacy. The house might therefore confidently accept it. The interpretation clauses of the old act had been amplified in this bill and some changes made in the method of forwarding patients to the asylum. In ordinary cases two doctors had to certify to the patient's insanity before the patient was sent to the asylum, but provision had been made, so that in special cases, such as in sparsely settled districts where two doctors were not easily obtainable, one doctor's examination was sufficient for a certificate. In such cases, however, two medical men had to examine the patient at the asylum. As it was now, in the event of a lunatic sailor being discharged from a ship the province was bound to look after him. Now it was proposed that in such a case, and in the case of Dominion penitentiary insane convicts the Dominion must be responsible for the charges. Provisions had also been put in to prevent such abuses as had happened in other countries from private asylums, and it must be endeavored as far as possible to avoid private asylums being established. To this end it was intended to enlarge the provincial asylum so as to give accommodation as far as possible for all the lunatics in the province.

On motion of Mr. Semlin the debate was adjourned till Monday, and the house then adjourned.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Mr. Helmcken—For a return of all correspondence between the government and the government of the Dominion of Canada with reference to the question of the removal of the Indians from the Songhees reserve since the return dated February 11, 1897, was presented to the house.

By Dr. Walkem—That a committee be appointed to inquire into, and report to this house, the manner and cost of advertising in the month of June last by the Vancouver World and the B. C. Gazette of the sale of land for taxes in New Westminster district and other matters in connection therewith, with power to call for persons and papers, such committee to consist of Messrs. Kennedy, Huff and the mover of the resolution.

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In obedience to a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the County Court of Vancouver holden at Vancouver and to me directed in the above mentioned suit for the sum of $325.74 and $7 50 for costs of execution and also interest on $325.74 at 6 per cent. per annum on the 24th day of October, A.D. 1896, besides sheriff's poundage, officers' fees and all other legal incidental expenses, I have seized and will offer for sale by public auction at the Court House, Front Street, in the City of Nanaimo, on Saturday, 20th day of March, A.D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title and interest of Nils Christian Hjorth, the defendant, in the lands described in this advertisement, or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment, debt and cost in this action.

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The following charges appear registered against the said defendant and his interest in the said lands:

1. Judgment of Arthur N. Smith against Nils Christian Hjorth, registered 30th December, 1896, for $166.83.
2. Judgment of the British Columbia Mills Timber & Trading Company, Limited Liability, against Nils Christian Hjorth for $325.74, registered 24th October, 1896
3. Certificate of Lis Pendens in a certain action between Nils Christian Hjorth, plaintiff and Arthur Neville Smith, defendant, registered 17th August, 1896

C. DRAKE,

Sheriff for the County of Nanaimo.

Dated at Nanaimo this 8th day of March, 1897.

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Also 20 pairs of Sewed Boots.

All to be made in accordance with specifications, which can be seen at the office of the undersigned.

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W. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 10th, 1897. mr11

Tenders will be received at H. M. Naval Yard Esquimalt on behalf of the Crown, until noon of Saturday, the 20th March, 1897 for the purchase of the confiscated sealing schooners "Beatrice" and "Viva," now lying in Esquimalt harbor with their equipment as they now stand, of masts, sails, rigging, cables, anchors, boats, etc., etc.

The schooners may be viewed on application to the chief boatswain, Esquimalt yard, and tenders must be addressed to the naval storekeeper endorsed "Tenders for Sealing Schooners."

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order of the COMMANDER IN-CHIEF.

Esquimalt Yard, March 6th, 1897.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Pacific Division.

NOTICE.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned, up to 6 o clock p.m. on Monday, the 15th instant, for the grading of the Slocan Branch of the Columbia and Kootenay Railway, between a point on the present Railway near the bridge across the Slocan river and Slocan City, a distance of about 31 miles.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of the Chief Engineer here, and at the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's office in Nelson.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

H. ABBOTT,
General Superintendent.

Vancouver, B.C., 2nd March, 1897. mr4

VALUABLE • FARM • PROPERTY FOR SALE.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to the 20th day of March, 1897, for the purchase of Sunnyside Farm, consisting of 1,300 acres more or less, about 300 acres of which are under cultivation. The said farm lies on the west side of the Fraser river, about thirty miles from the town of Quesnelle, Cariboo district, and is at the door of the Cariboo gold mines market. The farm is well supplied with water for irrigation purposes. In connection with it and forming part thereof, is offered 400 acres of meadow land, situate about fifteen miles west of the main body of the farm in Chilcotin.

On the said farm are about 600 cattle of all ages, and about 80 horses, besides a full equipment of the latest farming machinery, including mowers, self binder, thresher, etc., etc., all of which are to be sold therewith. Good dwelling houses, outhouses, stables, etc., are on the premises.

The title is Crown Grant.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

D. MURPHY,
47 Langley St., Victoria,
fg21 Solicitor for the Owners.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, East and Queen Charlotte Island Land District, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 189?:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

January 2nd 1897. ja12

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, March 12, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	28·	Mean 26·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	20·		
9 a.m..	26.	Highest 34·	5 a.m.—Calm. 1 p.m.—4 S.E. 9 p.m.—4 E.
1 p.m..	33·		
5 p.m..	30·	Lowest 17·	Snowfall—1 inch. Sunshine—4h. 18m.
9 p.m..	30·		

Barometer 9 a. m.... Observed .... 30.415 Reduced..... 30.409

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

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Per steamer CHARMER from Vancouver—C R, McClary Mfg Co, T E, Mining Record, W J Pendray, H W, R R B, Dom Exp Co, H B Co, Johns Bros, Cons Ry Co, Dr C T Newcombe, D R Pottinger, and Gim Fook Yuen.

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BIRTH.

WORSFOLD—On March 12, at 128 Richardson street, the wife of J K. Worsfold, of a son.

DIED.

TANSEY—On the 11th instant, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. H. Nixon, Lampson street Esquimalt district, Thos. B. Tansey, a native of Prescott, England, aged 55 years.

The funeral will take place on Sunday, at 7 o'clock a.m., from the residence as above, and at Roman Catholic Cemetery, Seattle, on Sunday afternoon.

YES, YOU CAN GET any kind of cemetery decorations at Bradbury's Monumental Works, on Cormorant street, corner Blanchard street.

PERSONAL.

W. L. Challoner and wife are back from the Provincial Mainland.

J. C. Durick, of Carlin & Durick, Fort Steele, is a guest at the Dominion.

W. J. R. Cowell returned last evening from a business visit to Kootenay.

J. A. Sayward came over from the Sound by the City of Kingston yesterday.

Rev. W. Leslie Clay arrived home yesterday evening from a few days' visit to the Mainland.

Mrs. James Seeley, who recently underwent a surgical operations, is now rapidly improving.

Thomas G. Earl, the well known orchardist, came over from the Mainland by last night's Charmer.

John A. McLaren, of Ottawa; A. E. Palmer, Vancouver; and Major MacPherson, Glasgow, are among the recently arrived guests at the Hotel Driard.

E. G. M. Shipman and wife, of Toronto, are at the New England. Mr. Shipman is at present in advance of the Hext Operatic Concert Co., which will soon pay Victoria a visit.

Richard Hall, Anton Henderson, J. Kingham, Beaumont Boggs, George Courtney and William Christie were among the passengers leaving for the Texada mines by the Maude yesterday.

John Piercy, head of the well known Yates street firm of importers and manufacturers, leaves next week on an extended Eastern business tour, in the course of which he will visit all the leading cities of Canada and the Atlantic States.

NEW YORK, March 11.—One of the best games of hockey ever played here tcook place to-day between the Shamrocks and Montreals. The game resulted in a victory for the Montreals by a score of 3 to 2.

Buy air-tight heaters at Cheapside. x

Shopping News.

Published Saturday morning for the benefit of The Colonist readers. To business houses desiring notices under this head a uniform rate of two cents a word, each insertion, will be charged.

Coffee, Mocha and Java—whole, ground, with or without chickory, at 40c. Tea, India, Ceylon, China, Japan; Assam at 30, 40, and 50c. per pound; Ceylon Blends at 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 cents; China at 20, 25, 35 and 40 cents; Japan at 25 and 35 cents; Hyson and Gunpowder at 40 cents per pound; English Breakfast that your grandmother used is very fine at 40 or 50c. Cocoa and Chocolate—Epps' ¼lb 50c.; Fry's, ¼lb. 40c.; Van Houten's, 1 lb. $1.00; Van Houten's, ¼lb. $1.20; Bensdorp's, ½lb $1.00; Bensdorp's, 1 lb. $1.00. A good bulk cocoa at 25c. per lb.; chocolate, ground at 45c.; unsweetened, 40. Hardress Clarke, 85 Douglas street.

Do you buy drugs? Try Jones.

Trout season opens on 16th. Call at Fox's, 78 Government street for your tackle.

Tan, navy and cardinal sweaters $1.00 each. B. Williams & Co.

Our extensive prescription department enables us to make up your prescriptions promptly and accurately. Hall & Co., Clarence block, corner Douglas and Yates streets.

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Have you visited Reid's clearance sale of clothing and men's furnishings? 122 Government street.

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All descriptions of Ladies' and gents' garments cleaned or dyed and pressed equal to new at the B. C. steam dye works, 141 Yates street; Telephone 200.

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New linen napkins.

Ten cases stiff and soft hats just received. B. Williams & Co.

Jones dispenses prescriptions accurately.

BOOMING ALONG.

The Mississippi Surpasing Itself in Its Present Overflow—Novel Steamboating.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 12.—The "Father of Waters" continues at this point its booming career, surprising planters, citizens and the older inhabitants alike. In the past twelve hours a rise of seven feet is noted, with little prospect of cessation. River steamers, both local and through, are making landings never before attempted, and in some instances boats touch at points forty odd miles inland.

A private levee on the Neely cotton plantation, ten miles above here has failed to resist the powerful current. All the live stock in this portion has been removed to the hills. At Memphis the big one thousand acre sand bar is completely under water, forcing out a hundred or more thugs and thieves, who made the willows on the bar their hiding place. Wolf river, just north of this city, is overflowing its banks, doing considerable damage. The weather bureau predicts continued high water, a cold wave to-night and freezing temperature to-morrow.

Two great side-wheel steamers capable of carrying 1,000 passengers each, this afternoon issued a notice of an excursion into Eastern Arkansas, giving a view of the overflowed country and submerged plantations. This means a trip of fifty miles due west from Memphis through tree-tops and over cabins, farms and small villages. The past high water offered no such opportunities.

CINCINNATI, March 12.—There is a general belief here today that because the Ohio river, which had reached a stage of fifty feet, began falling at noon, with clear weather prevailing in the Ohio valley, there is no need of further apprehension of floods.

March, April, May,

Are the months in which to give special attention to the condition of your physical health. If you pass safely through these months and find yourself strong and vigorous, on the arrival of warmer weather, you may reasonably expect that you will be well in summer. Now is the time to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, because now is the time when the blood must be purified, enriched and vitalized, and because Hood's Sarsaparilla is the only true blood purifier prominently in the public eye to day. Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to make you healthy and guard your system against disease.

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THE TRANSVAAL RAID.

Resumption of the Parliamentary Inquiry—An Exciting Scene Before the Commission.

A Parallel Drawn With King William the Third's Descent on England.

LONDON, March 12.—The inquiry of the Parliamentary Committee into the Transvaal raid was resumed to-day in Westminster Hall. There was an exciting scene during the examination of Sir Graham Bower, the Imperial secretary and accountant of the High Commissioner of South Africa.

Mr. Henry Labouchere, replying to an objection upon the part of the chairman to one of his questions said: "I consider that Sir Graham Bower is not telling the truth and I claim the right to examine this gentleman. If the committee like to stop me they can do so."

Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain said he thought the committee was bound to protect the witness from insult, and Mr. Labouchere insisted he was convinced that Sir Graham was untruthful. Thereupon the chairman said Mr. Labouchere was out of order. This caused the latter to remark: "Then I will clear the room on each question; I am going to see whether this committee is to be sham or not." After further fencing, Mr. Labouchere reiterating that Sir Graham Bowers' story was an extraordinary one, to which the chairman again objected,

Mr. Labouchere asked: "Do you still hold to the doctrine that though you are the High Commissioner's secretary you are bound by your promise of silence not to reveal the intimation of the proposed raid given you by Mr. Rhodes?"

Sir Richard Bower, lifting a volume from the table, said: "You are going rather beyond the inquiry, but I would like to quote you a historic precedent. When William of Orange landed in England, upon what we may call a Jameson raid——"

Here Sir William Vernon Harcourt sharply interposed, saying: "I am surprised that such a parallel should be drawn by an official of Sir Graham Bower's position, and I think the committee is entitled to ask for an explanation upon what grounds he considers the Jameson raid to be a historic parallel." This caused Sir Graham Bower to hurriedly exclaim: "I beg pardon; I withdraw it." Finally the positions of his remarks relating to the "parallel" were expunged from the record.

WORST IN FIVE YEARS.

The Michigan Peninsula Storm Swept—Trains Blockaded—Traffic Suspended in Western States.

ISHPEMING, Mich., March 12.—The worst snow storm in five years is raging in the upper peninsula. Freight trains are blockaked on the South Shore and Chicago and Northwestern lines. A freight train on the latter road has been stuck in a drift at the Buffalo mine. Fifty men are at work clearing the track, but if the storm does not soon abate it is likely the train will not be moved. In some places the snow is from six to ten feet in depth with the drifts rapidly growing larger.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 12.—Specials to the Journal from North and South Dakota and Western Minnesota show that the snow of last night did more actual damage than any other this winter, and that it has never been equalled in the costs it has levied on the railroads. Wednesday of this week, after almost herculean struggles several roads opened their lines and began moving freight to towns where food and fuel famines existed. By the time these trains were on their way the storm came on and blocked everything. Freights are stalled in all parts of the three states. Scarcely a passenger train is moving in North or Central Dakota. Drifts miles long and from ten to thirty feet deep oppose the roads, which have not yet begun work. Much stock on moving trains has been killed and thousands of head of cattle are reported dying in Eastern and South Dakota. Northern Minnesota loggers are all forced from the woods and work will cease.

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ANOTHER BIG STRIKE.

The Silver King Makes a Magnificent Development—Crow's Nest Railway Location Survey.

ROSSLAND, March 12.—(Special)—A special to the Miner from Nelson announces another big strike on the Silver King. The ore body is eight feet wide and is all good smelting ore. The body was discovered some time ago by diamond drilling. The management is greatly pleased with the showing.

J. V. Perks, convicted of breaking into a lady's house at Balfour for questionable purposes, was sentenced to three months in jail by Judge Forin.

Engineer Perry, in charge of the location survey of the Crow's Nest Pass railway along Kootenay lake, reports that his work has been completed to within ten miles of Balfour. He has gone to Slocan city to superintend the construction of the Slocan river branch, more especially wharves at different points on Slocan lake.

Sixteen placer claims at Salmo have been recorded at Nelson.

The condition of Le Roi mine in its lowest levels is very gratifying. Some time ago a drift was started west on the 500 foot level. This encountered a new chute of ore soon after passing what is known as the west break. It has now run on this chute 125 feet continuously in ore. The face shows five feet of absolutely clean pyrrhotite which averages $136 in gold. Ore from the bottom of the main shaft new down 530 feet averages $55 in gold.

ARBITRATION TREATY.

Congressional Committee Hope to Make Their Report on Monday.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—It is the expectation of a majority of the committee that they will be able to conclude work on the treaty at Monday's session, and that they will be able to report to the senate at the first legislative session after that date. The retirement of Senator Cameron reduced the opposition in the committee to two members, Morgan and Daniels, who to-day manifested just as strong a feeling on the subject as they had formerly displayed. While they did not indicate any intention to delay a report to the senate for any great length of time they made it quite clear that they would continue their opposition when the treaty should be taken up in the Senate. It was stated in the committee that the present administration was just as anxious as its predecessors to secure the ratification of the treaty and to secure it promptly. It is understood that the treaty will not be reported without amendments but the members of the committee refuse to divulge the character of those amendments which are.

TRADE IN CANADA.

Improving Prospects in View of Opening of Navigation—Business Failures—Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Bradstreet's will say: Montreal reports improving trade prospects, due in part to the approach of the opening of navigation. The volume of business is smaller than a year ago. The movement of merchandise at Toronto is a little more active and the feeling in business circles is that the spring trade will be of large volume. Merchants at Halifax report little change.

The business failures reported from the Dominion this week number 56, against 51 last week, 58 in the same week a year ago, and 25 in the same week two years ago. The bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax amount to $18,339,000 this week, against $16,814,000 last week, as compared with $18,479,000 in the same week a year ago.

FISHERMEN IN DANGER.

Two Hundred and Fifty Carried Out in Lake Michigan—Much Uneasiness.

BAY CITY, March 12.—An immense ice-floe, containing all the solid ice in Saginaw Bay, went out this morning, carrying over two hundred and fifty fishermen. The ice began to break near the shore here at 5 o'clock this morning and the floe is now eight miles out in the bay.

Of the 250 fishermen, some managed to gain the shore near Sebewaing, before the ice left, but the large majority were carried out. A strong southwest wind is blowing. The fishermen here are uneasy but do not anticipate that the men on the floe will perish. They say the ice is too solid to break up enough to admit of the passage to Lake Huron by the Charity islands. If the warm south wind continues for another day there will be little chance for their rescue.

PETITION DENIED.

Habeas Corpus Refused to Butler, the Australian Murderer.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 12.—In the United States circuit court yesterday Judge Morrow denied the petition for a writ of habeas corpus presented by Frank Butler, the Australian murderer, who thought he was entitled to his liberty because when arrested he was on board a British ship, which he contended was British territory, even though in foreign waters.

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THE CASE DISMISSED.

An Acquittal Secured on the Evidence of Mr. Mrs. and Miss Jones.

The case of Mrs Ella Jones, charged with the theft of a large quantity of groceries, which has occupied the attention of the provincial police court for over a fortnight, was concluded yesterday.

The prosecution had closed on Thursday with the evidence of Erskine, Wall & Co's book-keeper. Mr. Fred Jones was the first witness called for the defence his testimony being to the effect that he had purchased goods at different times, a portion of the goods in court included, noticeably three pails of lard, a box of soap and a box of starch. Miss Jones dauther of the accused, took the stand and stated that about twenty-five or more of the articles produced and alleged to have been stolen by the accused, were the property of her mother, and that her mother had them in her possession prior to the time she commenced to work for Mr. Foote. Mrs. Jones was next called and deposed that the articles in court, which were identified by Erskine, Wall & Co. and which bore the firm's name, were given to her by Mr. Foote in exchange for some articles which had been given to him. Mr. Foote being bed-ridden and too sick to attend, his evidence therefore could not be taken.

In discharging the accused Magistrate Macrae said that he did so because he was of the opinion, after hearing the evidence of Miss Jones, that a jury would not convict.

At the close of the case the second charge of the theft of a quantity of hay and feed was withdrawn by Superintendent Hussey.

The magistrate before the adjournment of court took occasion to make some few remarks, having for their text Mr. Archer Martin's letter, published in the COLONIST of March 3. He asked Mr. Martin if it was his (Mr. Martin's) letter, and upon receiving an affirmative reply, pointed out two direct misstatements appearing in the published article. One was to the effect that "the proceedings in the original warrant were abandoned and a new warrant issued on the information of the superintendent instead of that of one of his constables, as was the case in the original warrant." The magistrate pointed out that this was an error, as Supt. Hussey had first stated that he wished to abandon the original warrant which he (the magistrate) consented to. He had thought it better to have a clear information made and this was done by the superintendent himself. The magistrate did not coincide with Mr. Martin's view that the police had not right to conduct the prosecution in such cases, and also took exception to Mr. Martin's statement that his client had been outrageously treated by the press and that public opinion had been influenced in consequence to the prejudice of his client.

THE U. S. TARIFF.

Anxiety of the Republicans With Regard to Their Measure.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The tariff situation is giving the Republicans some concern. They feel sure that their bill can pass, but it is now believed that the debate is going to be extended in the senate. It is known the intention of the Democrats is to talk on every subject in the bill.

After the schedules of the bill are known it is believed that there will be a great increase in imports. After the new bill goes into effect there will be a suspension of imports for several months and a consequent falling off in receipts, and the bill, which was designed to increase the revenues, they say as a matter of fact will show a decrease. This view is taken by many Democrats, who say it is their policy to have the bill passed, but not until after it has been thoroughly discussed. Without an active majority in the senate the Republicans will not be able to hurry the measure along. The Republican silverites have indicated that they will not prevent a tariff bill from passing, but are not opposed to the policy of delay. At present the only definite part of the programme of the Republican senators is to bring the tariff bill before the senate as soon as possible, and press it with all possible speed.

ORDERS TO MOBILIZE.

Uruguay Preparing for an Offensive and Defensive Movement

MONTEVIDEO, March 12.—The National Guard has been ordered to mobilize. A detachment of national troops on the Northwest frontier has defeated the provincial police, who mutinied. It is rumored that Uruguay is negotiating with Chili for an offensive and defensive alliance against the Argentine Republic, which has given aid to the revolutionary movement.

VICTORIA IN ITALY.

Her Majesty Accorded the Usual Reception at Cimiez.

NICE, March 12.—Queen Victoria was accorded the usual reception at Cimiez to-day.

Wheelbarrow Instead of Knapsack.

Major Padrin of the Italian army has invented a very ingenious contrivance which is designed to supersede the knapsack. He has invented a vehicle to which he has given the name of the cyclosac, or the sack on wheels. On this will be carried the baggage of two soldiers, and the uprights of the tent will be used to convert it into a sort of wheelbarrow, which the soldier can drag behind him when ascending or push before him when descending. The two soldiers will take it turn about to push or draw the cyclosac, and it is contended that this arrangement will not merely enable the troops to march much longer distances, but to fight much better on the field of battle, being relieved of all impediments, which can be left in these light wheelbarrows in the rear.

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